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HQDA(DAMO-ZA), WASHDC FOR SENIOR ARMY REP, US DEL UN-MSC

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED CHANGES US/UNEF SUPPORT PROCEDURES

REF: A. MSG US DEL TO UNMSC, DTD 7 OCT 76, TO DA (DAMO-ZA)
AND DA (DALO-SMD) (NOTAL)

B. FONECON THIS DATE, BETWEEN COL JONES/SFC BRILL, MSC-
USUN AND MR. SHERRIS, DALO-SMD

1. PARA 3, REF. A, REFLECTED USUN'S UNDERSTANDING THAT PROPOSED
CHANGES ARE IN EARLY PLANNING STAGES ONLY. PARA 5, REF. A,
REQUESTED THAT CERTAIN INFORMATION BE FURNISHED MSC-USUN PRIOR
TO FINALIZATION OF PROCEDURES. PARA 6, REF. A, REQUESTED THAT
MSC-USUN "CONTINUE TO BE INCLUDED IN BOTH INFORMAL AND FORMAL
COORDINATION OF NEW PROCEDURES AS THEIR DEVELOPMENT IS TAKING
SHAPE. SINCE PROPOSED CHANGES ARE OF SUFFICIENT SCOPE TO AMOUNT
TO POLICY CHANGE IN MANNER IN WHICH US LOGISTICAL SUPPORT
IS BEING PROVIDED UN, REQUEST FORMAL COORDINATION OF FINAL
DRAFT OF NEW PROCEDURES PRIOR TO DECISION TO IMPLEMENT."

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ALTHOUGH WE UNDERSTAND THAT NO RESPONSE TO REF. A HAS

YET BEEN RECEIVED BY MSC-USUN, ACCORDING TO REF. B
A DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY MESSAGE IMPLEMENTING THE NEW PROCE-
DURES IS TO BE SENT TO INTERESTED US AGENCIES ON MONDAY,
1 NOV.

2. USUN STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT THESE NEW PROCEDURES NOT BE
FINALIZED AND THAT NO IMPLEMENTING MESSAGE BE SENT UNTIL:

A. USUN IS APPRISED AS TO THE DETAILED PROCEDURES
TO BE IMPLEMENTED, AND,

B. UN IS FORMALLY BRIEFED ON THESE SAME PROPOSALS AND IS
FORMALLY PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER FEEDBACK.

3. WHILE IT IS FULLY RECOGNIZED THAT DOD HAS AUTHORITY TO
ESTABLISH ITS OWN PROCEDURES FOR RENDERING LOGISTICAL SUPPORT
TO ITS INTERNATIONAL CUSTOMERS, THE NECESSARILY AMORPHOUS
STRUCTURE OF UN FIELD LOGISTICS MAKES US-UN INTERFACE A
COMPLEX TASK REQUIRING CLOSE COORDINATION AND PLANNING AT
ALL LEVELS. FOR EXAMPLE, IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING FROM REF. B THAT
THE CONTEMPLATED IMPLEMENTATION MSG TO BE SENT 1 NOV IS TO
CONTAIN CERTAIN INSTRUCTIONS TO US ARMY, EUROPE, TO CEASE
RECEIVING UN SPARE PARTS REQUISITIONS BY A CERTAIN DATE. FIRST,
IT WOULD SEEM INAPPROPRIATE FOR UN SUPPLY DEPOT, PIZA,
ITALY, TO LEARN OF THIS DECISION PRIOR TO THE UN SECRETARIAT'S
BEING BRIEFED ON THE FULL SCOPE OF THE CONTEMPLATED CHANGES -
SECOND, THERE COULD CONCEIVABLY BE A CRITICAL TIME GAP BETWEEN
DATE OF CESSATION OF US ARMY, EUROPE, PROCESSING OF REQUISITIONS,
AND INITIATION DATE FOR ESTABLISHING NEW REQUISITIONING PRO-
CEDURES. AT ANY RATE, USUN STRONGLY FEELS THAT BOTH THE ULTIMATE
SUCCESS OF THESE NEW PROCEDURES IN CORRECTING PAST AND PRESENT
EQUIPMENT RETRIEVAL AND BILLING PROBLEMS AND THE PRESERVATION
OF AMICABLE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH UN SECRETARIAT
PERSONNEL ARE HEAVILY DEPENDENT UPON THE QUALITY AND DEGREE
OF PLANNING COORDINATION THAT TAKES PLACE BETWEEN NOW AND
THE DECISION RPT DECISION TO IMPLEMENT.
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